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Arrivals.

Mch. 2, CHINA, Norw. bk'tine, 222, Schonberg, Bangkok 16th January, 5,300 piculs Rice.—PAUL EHLERS & Co.

Mch. 2, AVA, French str., 1,902, Rousseau, Marseilles 22nd January, Port Said 29th, Suez 30th, Aden 5th February, Galle 13th, Singapore 21st, Saigon 25th, General.—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

Mch. 2, ANNESLEY, Brit. sh., 352, Pearse, Melbourne 16th January, General.—ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Mch. 2, AKERSHUS, Norw. bk., 400, Malling, Bangkok 4th January, 10,000 piculs Rice.—JOHN BURD & Co.

Mch. 2, CONRAD, Brit. bk., 350, Appleby, Bangkok 7th January, 9,000 piculs Rice.—ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Departures.

Mch. 2, GLENGYLE, str., for Canton.

Mch. 2, ESCORT, for Bangkok.

Mch. 2, DEERHOUND, for Saigon.

Clearances.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE, 2nd MARCH.

Menam, for Saigon.
Assyrian, for Saigon.
Luzon, for Manila.
Cora Linn, Manila.
Constancia, for Whampoa.
Sir J. Jeejeebhoy, str., for Whampoa.

Passengers.

Per *Ava*, str., from Marseilles, &c.,—
For Hongkong.
From Marseilles.—Messrs. Grau, Sturtiaga, Martinez, Saim, J. Enriquez, G. Enriquez, Rolland, Parodi, Varangot, Bassanary, Simoni, Gomez, Llano, Sifuentes, Valino, Lopez, Barrena, Madrus, Martinez, Enriquez and Robin.
From Singapore.—Messrs. Chouzy, Roseino, and 4 Chinese.
From Saigon.—46 Chinese.
For Shanghai.
From Marseilles.—M. Bohnida.
From Singapore.—M. de Champeaux.
For Yokohama.
From Saigon.—8 Soldiers.

Per *Annesley*, from Melbourne,—
Mr. Mitford and 302 Chinese.
Per *Conrad*, from Bangkok,—
3 Chinese.
For *Akershus*, from Bangkok,—
1 Chinese.

Reports.

The Norw. bark *Akershus* reports came up the China sea, having experienced (after 21 days in the Gulf of Siam), strong currents to the S.S.W. with much calm, which set the ship within 20 miles of the Great Natunas on the 28th January, then across the sea by Rifleman Bank and Ladd Reef; sighted Luzon on the 23rd, then calm weather until the 26th, when stood across the sea with the wind sometimes W. of North.

The British bark *Conrad* reports fourteen days to Pulo Obi, then strong winds from N.E. and very strong current setting to the S.W., then heavy weather across to the Luzon Coast, which was sighted on the 24th ultimo; then light winds until the 28th; strong winds across the China sea with heavy sea obliged the ship to the Westward of the Pratas; strong N.E. winds on the 2nd.

The Norw. bk'tine *China* reports the British barque *Otter Cape* leaving in company, hither; had the usual calms and baffling winds so far as Pulo Obi, which was passed on 24th Jan., then moderate monsoon until the 29th, when had a short gale from N.N.E. with heavy sea; on 8th February, off *Flora Temple* reef, spoke Norwegian barque *Akershus*, Bangkok, hither, 34 days out; off Cape Balinoa, on February 24th, was in company with a Siamese barque, which had lost main-top-gallant-mast; across the China Sea strong breeze from N.E. with usual heavy sea; 45 days out.

The British ship *Annesley* reports on leaving Melbourne, passed West of Tasmania, skirted the Coral Sea, passing W. of Bampton Reef; February 3rd, made Treasury Island; passed between Bougainville and New Ireland on the 12th, having been detained in the vicinity of the Strait for more than a fortnight; crossed the Equator on the 16th, in long. 153 E.; passed S. and W. of Ulea on the 20th, and N. and E. of Oeluthi on the 22nd, carrying N.E. winds across to Bashee Channel, which was entered on the 28th, thence strong N. and N.E. winds with thick overcast weather until making the land; 55 days out. On February 10th, spoke the American Whaler *Java*, of New Bedford, off New Ireland, 1050 barrels sperm.

Auction Sales To-day.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Sundry Articles.

CHINA SEA, SAIGON AND STRAITS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE First Ordinary MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Company's Office, Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the Twenty-fifth day of March next, at 3 o'clock P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a statement of Accounts, for the election of Directors and Auditors and declaring a Dividend.

By order of the Board of Directors,
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.,
General Agents.

31d 348 Hongkong, 22nd February, 1871.

CHINA SEA, SAIGON AND STRAITS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from the 11th to the 25th day of March next, inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.,
General Agents.

31d 349 Hongkong, 22nd February, 1871.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

UNTIL further notice, the Company are prepared to tow Vessels to and from Whampoa, and remoral them in their Stone Docks (with Caisson gates), at

(40) FORTY CENTS PER SHEET.

By Order,
G. N. MINTO,
Secretary.

tf 663 Hongkong, 7th April, 1870.

LONDON AND PROVINCIAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Marine risks at current rates.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.

tf 471 Hongkong, 6th March, 1868.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned, owner of the British Schooner *Gaviota*, will not be responsible for any debts contracted by her commander, Capt. JOHN GEORGE SAINBERLICH, on and after her arrival in Hongkong.

H. MAGNIAC,
By his Attorney
J. WHITTALL.

tf 121 East Point, 18th January, 1871.

Vessels on the Berth.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

THE Company's Steamer

"VOLGA,"

Capt. Boubée, will be dispatched for YOKOHAMA *(Direct)*, TO-MORROW, the 4th March, at 11 o'clock A.M.

C. BERTRAND,
Principal Agent.

2d 367 Hongkong, 3rd March, 1871.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POST FRANCAIS.

THE Company's Steamer

"GODAVERY,"

Capt. Lecointre, will be dispatched for SHANGHAI *(Direct)* TO MORROW, the 4th March, at 11 o'clock A.M.

C. BERTRAND,
Principal Agent.

2d 369 Hongkong, 3rd March, 1871.

STEAM TO SWATOW, AMOY, AND SHANGHAI.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"ADEN,"

will leave for the above places at 4 P.M. TO-MORROW, the 4th March.

W. MACAULAY, *Superintendent.*

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, 1st March, 1871. [4d 386

FOR MANILA.

THE Spanish Steamer

"LUZON,"

Tremoja, Master, will have quick dispatch for the above port.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
REMEDIOS & Co.

tf 339 Hongkong, 21st February, 1871.

FOR MELBOURNE, *via* DUNEDIN.

THE *A* 1 British Clipper ship

"GOLDEN SEA,"

Hardy, Master, having the greater portion of her Cargo and Passengers engaged, will meet with quick despatch for the above ports.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
ROZARIO & Co.

tf 379 Hongkong, 27th February, 1871.

FOR SYDNEY AND CLEVELAND BAY

THE British ship

"ONWARD,"

Captain Whyte, will have quick despatch for the above ports.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
ROZARIO & Co.

tf 346 Hongkong, 23rd February, 1871.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE American ship

"HELEN MORRIS,"

will have quick despatch for the above port.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
OLYPHANT & Co.

tf 331 Hongkong, 17th February, 1871.

FOR SYDNEY.

THE British Ship

"NEVILLE,"

Hemsworth, Master, having the greater portion of her Cargo engaged, will meet with early despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.

tf 213 Hongkong, 2nd February, 1871.

FOR PORTLAND, OREGON.

THE *A* 1 American Barque

"EDWARD JAMES,"

Patterson, Master, will have early despatch for the above port.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.

tf 176 Hongkong, 28th January, 1871.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE British barque

"ROMEO,"

will have quick despatch for the above port.

For Freight, apply to
OLYPHANT & Co.

tf 151 Hongkong, 24th January, 1871.

FOR NEW YORK.

THE *A* 1 American Barque

"ADELIA CARLETON,"

Captain Carleton, having a large part of her Cargo engaged, will load at Whampoa for New York, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
OLYPHANT & Co.

tf 91 Hongkong, 14th January, 1871.

EX "*SIR HARRY PARKES*".

DESSERT SERVICES.
Dinner SERVICES.
Breakfast SERVICES.
Toilet SERVICES.
HATS.
CAFETIERES.
French BUTTER.
Plate GLASS.
Coloured GLASS.
BOOKS.
Brass BEDSTEADS.
Chubb's SAFES, with the new diagonal bolts.
Wine CORKS.
Canvas HOSE.
CHAIN.
NAILS.
THERMOMETERS.
QUOITS.
Coffee MILLS.
GLASSWARE.
Copying PRESSES.
Tube BRUSHES.
Mathematical INSTRUMENTS.
Mitchell's PENS.
Lime JUICE.
Soft SOAP.
Colza OIL.
Perforated ZINC.
Bellows' LEATHER.
Washing BLUE.
BROOMS and BRUSHES.
CARBONATE OF SODA.
Pier GLASSES.
Lead PIPE.
Silicated Carbon FILTERS.
Ice FILTERS.
EAU DE COLOGNE.
Ladies' Overland TRUNKS.
Smiths' BELLOWS.
1 Comet, 2 Comet, 3 Comet } SHERRY.
Demerara RUM.
Booth's OLD TOM.
Fockink's CURACAO.
BASS'S ALE.
Burke's GUINNESS.
Sheathing FELT.
KRUG.
AYH.
Henry's CANVAS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

1561 Hongkong, 2nd March, 1871.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, in their Sales Rooms, *Queen's Road*,

THIS DAY,
the 3rd instant, at 11 A.M.,—

5 Cases TOBACCO, 5,000 Spencer's CARTRIDGES, 50 Cases VINEGAR, Bryant & May's MATCHES, Sundry OILMAN'S STORES, Hubbuck's BOILED OIL, White LEAD, White ZINC, Red LEAD, and Assorted PAINTS, 10 Casks CHAMPAGNE ALE, CLARET, PORTER, FLANNELS, Crimean SHIRTS, SOCKS, Printing PAPER, &c., &c., &c.

392 Hongkong, 2nd March, 1871.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

TO-MORROW,
the 4th March, 1871, at 11 A.M.,
At the Godowns of Messrs. J. J. DOS REMEDIOS & Co., *Wanchai*,—
(For account of the concerned.)

About 3,000 Piculs ALUM.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

D. L. NORONHA & Co.,
Auctioneers.

356 Hongkong, 24th February, 1871.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

IN THE VICE ADMIRALTY COURT OF HONGKONG.
IN RE A PIRATICAL JUNK,
(Name unknown).

THE Undersigned have received instructions from CHARLES F. A. SANGSTER, Esq., Marshal of the Vice Admiralty Court of Hongkong, to sell by Public Auction, (under a decree of Appraisement and Sale),

TO-MORROW,
the 4th March, 1871, at noon,—
(on board),

A JUNK, with Mast, Sail, &c., as she now lies alongside the Police Hulk in this harbour.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,
Auctioneers.

368 Hongkong, 25th February, 1871.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned will sell by Public Auction,

TO-MOREOW,
the 4th March, 1871, at noon,
At his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road,—

An Invoice of PAPER, comprising:
20 Reams superfine Printing ROYAL.
16 do. fine Cream Wove MEDIUM.
5 do. Coloured Super ROYAL.
36 Gross 2 sheet toned CARD BOARD.
50 Barrels American BEEF.
40 " FLOUR.
30 Boxes TOBACCO.
150 " SOAP.
30 Cases, each 4 dozen MILK.
3 " CHOCOLATE.
5 " MACARONI.
Hennessey's BRANDY.
Gilt CLOCKS.
RUGS, FLANNELS, Colored and White.
And,
For account of the concerned.
9 Cases Mixed BISCUITS.
14 Casks STOUT.
3 " ALE.
And Sundry other GOODS and FURNITURE.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.

389 Hongkong, 1st March, 1871.

JAPANESE WARE.

H. JURGENS & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

TO-MORROW,
the 4th March, 1871, at 2 P.M.,
at their Sale Rooms, Praya:—

A fine collection of JAPAN WARE, consisting of large and small VASES, STANDS, CUPS and SAUCERS, BOWLS, PLATES, TEA SETS, &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash on delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

386 Hongkong, 1st March, 1871.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, at No. 1, Mosque Street, the residence of J. M. GUEDES, Jr., Esq., on

MONDAY,
the 6th March, 1871, at 2 P.M.—

The HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, comprising SOFAS, CHAIRS, Mantel-piece MIRRORS, TABLES, PICTURES, TEA POYS, WHATNOTS, Dinner and Breakfast SERVICES, BEDSTEADS, WARDROBES, CHANDELIERS, &c., &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

390 Hongkong, 1st March, 1871.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from the Superintendent of the P. & O. S. N. Co., to offer for Sale by Public Auction, on

WEDNESDAY,
the 8th March, 1871, at 3 P.M.,—
(unless previously disposed of by private contract),

The Company's Iron Screw-Steamer
"*NORNA*,"

Register Tonnage of Ship.....613
" " Engine Room, &c.....356

Total Tonnage.....969

Draught of water when loaded, 15 feet.

Description of Engines—Direct, with Gearing.

Horse Power, 230 nominal.

The Boilers were recently fitted with a complete set of new Tubes and Tube Plates.

A complete Inventory can be seen, and particulars obtained, on application to the Auctioneer.

TERMS OF SALE.—Half cash on fall of the hammer, the balance on completion of transfer. Transfer expenses to be borne by the purchaser.

CHAS. H. MORGAN,
Auctioneer.

P. & O. S. N. Co.
Hongkong, 7th January, 1871. [37

FOR SALE.

KOWLOONG LODGE.

A PLEASANTLY situated furnished BUNGALOW, at Kowloong, about Eight minutes walk from the landing-place near the village of Mong-kok. The Bungalow has a commanding view of Hongkong, the Harbour, and the Islands to the Westward. There are 8½ acres of ground attached, with Croquet Ground, &c., and the place is held under a Lease from the Government for 75 Years, as Farm Lot No. 11. Apply to

J. M. ARMSTRONG.

tf 240 Hongkong, 7th February, 1871.

"*Japan Mail*" and "*Japan Weekly Mail*."

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. having been appointed agents for the two above-named newspapers, are prepared to receive Advertisements and Subscriptions for the same.

Terms of Subscription, payable in advance: *Japan Mail*, $15 per annum; *Japan Weekly Mail*, $24 per annum.

tf 122 Hongkong, 19th January, 1871.

VOCAL and INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC for Sale.

HUGO PELLICO,
Wyndham Street, No. 35.

1m 304 Hongkong, 14th February, 1871.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

A mail will close.

For Manila.—Per steamer *Luzon*, at 11.30 A.M. to-day, the 3rd instant.

For Yokohama.—Per French Mail Packet *Volga*, to-morrow, the 4th instant, at 10 A.M.

For Shanghai.—Per French Mail Packet *Godavery*, to-morrow, the 4th inst., at 10 A.M.

For Manila.—Per steamer *Shaftesbury*, at 3.30 P.M. to-morrow, the 4th instant.

For Swatow, Amoy, and Shanghai.—Per *Aden*, to-morrow, the 4th instant, at 3.30 P.M.

For Swatow, Amoy, and Foochow.—Per *Yesso*, to-morrow, the 4th instant, at 5 P.M.

The delivery of the *Daily Press*, from this office commenced on Thursday morning at 10.15, and the last messengers left the office at 10.45.

The Daily Press

HONGKONG, MARCH 3RD, 1871.

HONGKONG RACES.

SECOND DAY.

Thursday, 2nd March, 1871.

Yesterday's raining was strong in ponies, and very uninteresting as to horses. The Challenge Cup was a perfect damper on all spirits, occurring as it did early in the programme, and the languid excitement about the Hongkong Cup was over long before the race was. It is a pretty safe rule to gauge the interest felt in the races by the attention paid to the tiffin, and certainly yesterday the number and duration of the meals was quite incompatible with any serious thoughts about "my horse." Indeed, it seemed to be generally concluded that "my horse" would in all probability not run, and consequently the drawer felt more anxiety about the performances of the Commissariat and the excellent band than about the more immediately appropriate subjects of interest on a race-course. Ladies were present in fairly large numbers, and appeared, like the rest of humanity, to take more interest in the pony-races than the horse-processions. It appears that the unexpected discomfiture of Earl Peel on Wednesday is to be attributed to the fact that the plucky little horse broke a blood-vessel, which will probably disable him from starting for the Hack Stakes to-day.

1.—THE GERMAN CUP, value 100 Guineas, presented by the Members of the Club Germania, for China and Manila Ponies. Weights as per Scale. Entrance $10. Two miles.

Mr. Rudolph's Skelp, 10st. 10lbs..... 1
Mr. Alexander's Hamlet, 10st. 6lbs..... 2
Mr. St. Andrew's St. Patrick, 10st. 2lbs..... 3
Mr. Henry's Cambalu, 10st. 10lbs..... 0

This was one of the best races, as it was the first, of the day. After a false start St. Patrick got away with a short lead, followed in order by Skelp, Cambalu, and Hamlet. This order was preserved until reaching the starting-post after the first round, where St. Patrick shot farther in front, and Hamlet dropped farther back; Skelp apparently waiting on Cambalu. On reaching the stand the second time the positions had all closed up considerably, and at the starting-post Hamlet came up to the front with a rush, carrying Skelp (who had done with Cambalu) along with him. The two simply ran away from the others, Skelp leading at the village and increasing in the straight to four lengths. Hamlet reduced this to a length and a half at the finish, but could not have gone many yards farther. Time 4m. 47½s.

2.—THE CHALLENGE CUP, value 500 Guineas, for all Horses. Entrance $10. Arabs, 9st.; Colonials, under 5 years 10st., 5 years and upwards, 10st. 4lbs.; English Horses, under 5 years, 10st. 7lbs., 5 years and upwards, 10st. 11lbs. Horses bred on the Continent or in America from Blood Stock to carry weight as English Horses. No allowance for Mares, Geldings, or Half-bred Horses. To be won two years consecutively by a Horse or Horses the *bonâ fide* Property of the same Owner. Two miles.

Mr. St. Leger's North Australian..... 1
Mr. Hooper's Javelin..... 0

As soon as the numbers went up and North Australian and Javelin were announced to start, excitement was naturally at its highest pitch. Of course it was extremely desirable to know whether North Australian could beat Javelin or not, and this doubtless accounted for the various murmurs of "moral," "walk over," "I'll take those Mexicans," &c., &c., which were audible long before the start. As to the race, it was charming in every sense. Javelin did not get eight lengths' start, and consequently he stopped in disgust opposite the Public Garden the second time round. The band did not play "The Dead March in Saul," but "See the Conquering Hero," and considering the importance of the conquest, no doubt they were perfectly justified.

3.—THE PARSEE CUP, value $200, presented by the Parsee Community, for all China and Manila Ponies. To be handicapped by the Stewards immediately after the German Cup. Non-starters in the previous races of this Meeting to carry maximum weight, namely, 12st. Entrance $10. One-mile-and-a-quarter.

Mr. Alexander's Vertugadin, 10st. 7lbs..... 1
Mr. Sarmfan's Alchemist, 10st..... 2
Mr. Alexander's Hamlet, 11st. 4lbs..... 3
Mr. Rudolph's Skyte, 12st..... 0
Mr. Henry's Algebra..... 0
Mr. Pat's The Hermit, 10st. 4lbs..... 0
Mr. Melchers' All Fours, 10st. 7lbs..... 0

After the start the ponies were all in a heap, Algebra showing out first and leading past the Stand. Skyte's heavy weighting was too much for him, and Hamlet though he ran gamely was also unable to win with his load. Vertugadin and Alchemist came to the front, and raced neck and neck all the way up the straight, coming in a dead heat amidst deafening cheers, Hamlet a moderate third. The heat was run off after the Stewards' Cup, and the same level running took place up to the last furlong, where Vertugadin headed his opponent and won by two and a half lengths. Time, 1st heat 2.54½; final heat 2.55.

4.—THE STEWARDS' CUP, value $100, for all Ponies and Galloways not over 13 hands 3 inches. Weights: Indian, 10st. 7lbs.; Straits, Manila, China and Japan, under 13 hands, 9st. 7lbs., 13 hands and over, 10st. 3lbs. Winner of this year's Welter, 7lbs. extra. Entrance $5. One-mile-and-a quarter.

Mr. Amoy's Viceroy..... 1
Mr. Sarmfan's Caviare..... 2
Mr. Brazig's Peradventure..... 3

After a splendid start, Peradventure went two lengths ahead, Caviare and Viceroy waiting behind him. After passing the stand Caviare pulled up to Peradventure, and raced with him to the mile and a half post. Here Viceroy's rush took place, and he lost no time in carrying Caviare with him far away from Peradventure. It looked a close thing for a few seconds, but directly afterwards Caviare was seen to be whipped, and then it was all over. Viceroy had his head and required no flogging, coming in a good two and a half lengths in front. Time 2.38.

5.—THE BROKERS' CUP, value $200. For all China and Manila Ponies. Weights as per scale. The Winner of any race at this Meeting to carry 7lbs. extra, and of two Races, 12lbs. Entrance $5. One-mile-and-a-quarter.

Mr. Rudolph's Skelp..... 1
Mr. St. Andrew's Atout..... 0

Skelp's rider as usual kept his pony well in hand at first, and Atout scampered away with a lead of two clear lengths until half way round the second time. Here Skelp darted up to and past him, but on emerging from behind the Rock Atout had come up with his opponent again. Skelp's powers under his 12 extra lbs. were calculated to a nicety, and though there were several shouts to the effect that he was being punished, his rider did not touch him with the whip, notwithstanding that he was not clear of Atout till he was well up the straight. Skelp won in beautiful style. Time 2.55.

6.—THE HONGKONG CUP,—presented—value £100, for all Horses. To be handicapped by the Stewards immediately after the Race for the Stewards' Cup. Winner of the Challenge Cup of this Meeting excluded. Entrance $10. One-mile-and a-half.

Mr. Derwent's Birmingham, 10st. 4 lbs..... 1
Mr. Hooper's Javelin, 10st..... 2
Mr. Barey's Exeter, 11st..... 0

The dark horse after all was nowhere. There were sundry portentous whispers to the effect that Exeter was to do something wonderful, though no one knew anything of his condition this year. However they all turned out mistaken. Javelin went away with a long lead, Birmingham waiting on Exeter. At the stand Exeter drew up to Javelin, and then Birmingham came to the front with Javelin behind him. This order was preserved to the end, Birmingham winning in a canter, Javelin well ridden, beating Exeter by a length or two. Time, 3.01.

7.—THE SCURRY STAKES, for China, Manila and Japan Ponies. Catch Weights. Entrance $5, with $100 from the Fund. Last Pony to pay second Pony's entrance. Winner of the Valley Stakes to carry 7lbs. extra. Three-quarters-of-a-mile.

Mr. Rudolph's Skyte..... 1
Mr. Sarmfan's Ariel..... 2
Mr. Henry's Algebra..... 0
Mr. Pat's Kailoo..... 0
Mr. William's Asti..... 0

On account of the dead heat the last race was not got off till it was almost too dark to see it. Ariel led at first from a very bad start, and Skyte came up afterwards at the straight. It was a merry spin altogether, and Skyte had to do all he knew to win, which he did by a short half length. Kailoo came in for the honour of the wooden spoon, and the pleasure of paying Ariel's entrance.

THIS DAY'S PROGRAMME.

THIRD DAY.

Friday, 3rd March, 1871.

1.—THE SUBSCRIPTION CHALLENGE CUP,—presented,—value 100 Guineas, for China Ponies, the *bonâ fide* property of Hongkong and Canton Residents of not less than six months immediately previous to date of Entry. Weights as per Scale. Entrance $5. To be won two years consecutively by a Pony or Ponies the *bonâ fide* property of the same Owner. Two miles.

2.—THE LADIES' PURSE, for all Ponies that have run at this Meeting, to be handicapped by the Stewards. Maximum weight, 13st. Entrance Fees for Ponies accepting $5. One mile.

3.—THE PAREE CUP, value $500, presented by the American Community of Hongkong and Canton, for all Horses. To be handicapped by the Stewards after the Second Day's Races. Entrance $10. Two-miles-and-a-half.

4.—THE HANDICAP PLATE,—presented,—value $200, for China, Manila and Japan Ponies. To be handicapped by the Stewards after the Second Day's Races. Entrance $10. From the Black Rock twice round and in.

5.—THE HACK STAKES,—presented,—value $100, for all Horses not entered for any Race at this Meeting. Roadster's Plate excepted. Entrance $5. Catch Weights. One-mile-and-half.

6.—THE OWNERS' CUP, presented by the Owners of Ponies entered at this meeting, value $250, for all China and Manila Ponies. Weights as per Scale. Winner of the German Cup to carry 7lbs. extra, penalty accumulative. Entrance $10. Of the Fees two-thirds to go to the Second Pony, and one third to Third Pony. Three Ponies from opposing stables to start or no Race. One-mile-and-three-quarters.

7.—THE CHAMPION STAKES, —a forced Entry for all China and Manila Ponies winners at this Meeting, optional to beaten Ponies of the same class. Catch weights. Entrance $20, with $200 from the Fund. One-mile-and-a-half.

8.—THE CONSOLATION STAKES, for all beaten China and Manila Ponies at this Meeting. Catch Weights. Entrance $5, with $100 from the Fund. Once round.

9.—THE NATIVE SCRAMBLE, first Pony $25, second $10, third $5; to be ridden by Chinamen. Catch Weights. Once round.

ARRIVAL OF THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M. M. steamer *Ava*, Capt. Rousseau, from Marseilles 22nd January, via Suez Canal and Galle 14th February, Singapore 21st, and Saigon 25th, with the French mail arrived yesterday. The following are the late telegrams:—

LONDON, 26th January.

General Chanzy's army has retreated in great disorder to Rennes.

LONDON, 27th January.

The army of the Loire is being pursued by Prince Frederick Charles, who has crossed General Chanzy's corps, returning from Laval where the army was being reorganised.

After nine days bombardment Longwy capitulated, the Germans capturing 4,000 prisoners and 200 guns.

M. Picard has received a safe conduct to join M. Jules Favre at Versailles.

It is reported that the negotiations refer more to a general peace than the mere surrender of Paris.

General Manteuffel has got to the rear of General Bourbaki by crossing the river Doubs.

LONDON, February 1.

To prevent immediate starvation in Paris, rations for three millions have been supplied by the Germans.

Two villages near Pontalier have been stormed by the advanced guard of General Manteuffel's army.

Large bodies of strugglers from General Bourbaki's army have crossed the Swiss frontier.

It is reported that General Ducrot has poisoned himself from despair.

To facilitate the transport of provisions, railways and bridges have been repaired.

The Congress of the United States, by 172 votes against 21, have carried a vote of welcome to the Fenian exiles.

LONDON, 1st February.

General Bourbaki's army, eight thousand (80,000) strong entered Switzerland to-day.

M. Gambetta has addressed a proclamation to the Prefects declaring the policy unchanged, and urging war *à outrance*.

BORDEAUX, 1st February.

Gambetta has telegraphed to Jules Favre complaining of briefness of explanation furnished regarding the treaty concluded at Versailles, he claims particulars regarding the state and fate of Paris, and says that the Municipal Council at Bordeaux protests against any peace not completely honorable, and prays the delegation at Bordeaux keep in readiness to continue the war.

Gambetta also issued proclamation saying that France should counteract the calculations of Prussia, who counts on the armistice to enervate the French armies, and declaring that France should take advantage of the armistice to organise more than ever the means of defence and for carrying on the war, and establishing national Republican Chamber willing to accept only honorable peace.

LONDON, 3rd February.

The Conference met on Friday, but nothing important transpired.

Gambetta issued another stirring Proclamation, holding to indignant ridicule the Paris Government for declaring his intention to carry on the Government on his own account.

In the Convention between Bismarck and Favre the Germans cannot enter Paris during the term of armistice.

Military operations in Department of Cote Dor, Doubs and Jura to continue, also siege of Belfort. Enceinte of Paris to be disarmed.

LONDON, 3rd February.

The extreme conditions of peace demanded by Count Bismarck has caused gloomy anticipations in London.

Bourbaki's army with Artillery have retreated to Switzerland and surrendered to the Swiss authorities.

Postal communication with Paris reopened. Egress allowed but no foreigners are allowed to enter the city.

LONDON, 4th February.

Lord Cairns, Sir G. W. Bramwell, Sir William Melbourne and James, Generals Scarlett and Stewart gazetted Royal Commissioners for enquiring into practicability of recommendation to form amalgamated list of Colonels for promotion to rank of Major-Generals by seniority.

LONDON, 5th February.

A decree of the Bordeaux Delegation has been published. The decree declares that numerous categories of French citizens are ineligible as representatives of the National Assembly.

M. Von Bismarck protests against these decrees, and states that Prussia will only recognize freely elected Deputies.

M. Gambetta replies that Bismarck's insolent interference is insufferable, and declares that France wants an Assembly desirous of continuing war.

Warlike feelings prevail in the south of France.

Bismarck's conditions of peace as published in London and at Bordeaux are inaccurate as regards Lorraine, the cession of Pondicherry and twenty (20) French ships of war.

LONDON, 6th February.

On account of the want of unanimity between the Bordeaux and Paris National Assembly they will probably not meet at Bordeaux.

Gambetta's decrees have been expressedly annulled by Favre. Great confusion in consequence is probable, the term of armistice will be extended and elections adjourned.

The delegates of the Republican Committees from all parts of France are going to Bordeaux to support Gambetta.

At the Conference, England, Prussia, Austria, and Russia are united in wishing Prince Charles to remain on the throne of Roumania.

LONDON, 7th February.

Her Majesty's ships *Buffalo*, *Medusa*, and *Valorous* are loading at Woolwich 2,000 tons of provisions and 24 ovens for making biscuits for Paris.

Gambetta has resigned in consequence of the Paris Government abrogating delegations of Decree disqualifying Imperialists, Ministers, Senators, Prefects and official candidates as representatives.

LONDON, 7th February.

The Spanish, Austrian and Italian Ambassadors at Bordeaux have intimated that they were accredited to the Paris Government only. That if order was not maintained they have received instructions to leave Bordeaux.

The difference between the Bordeaux and Paris Government remains unadjusted.

The Paris Government has replied in strong terms to Gambetta's pretensions.

LONDON, 10th February.

Sir (P Mr.) Charles Trevelyan has announced his intention of bringing forward a motion for the abolition of the purchase system in the army; at the same time condemning the constitution of the Horse Guards.

Mr. Grant Duff has given notice for a Committee of the whole House on the 24th instant, on the subject of Indian Finances.

The Commissioners for the settlement of the United States *Alabama* claims have been appointed. The English Commissioners are—Earl de Grey and Ripon, Sir Edward Thornton, Sir John Rose, Sir J. McDonald, and Montague Bernard. The American members are Messrs. Fish, Schenck, Hoare, Williams, and Nelson. The American press predict a speedy settlement.

The French elections are overwhelmingly Conservative.

LONDON, 15th February.

The armistice has been prolonged for another week.

Belfort has concluded an armistice and wishes to capitulate by a majority of the assembly of monarchists. Paris quiet, food abundant.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

MARCH 2ND, EVENING.

The drug market has kept quiet throughout the day. The following are the quotations:—New Patna, $540; New Benares, $537½, Old Patna, $560; Old Benares, $560, nominal; Malwa, $630; New Patna, 2nd sales on time, $528½ to $530; Benares, $522½, nothing doing.

MARCH 3RD, MORNING.

Market quiet at present, no change in prices.

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON.—
Bank Bills, at 3 months' sight, 4/3½
Bank Bills, at 6 months' sight, 4/4½
Credits, at 6 months' sight..... 4/4½
Documentary Bills, at 6 months' sight..... 4/4½
Bank Bills on demand, ... 4/2½
ON NEW YORK—
Private, 5 months' sight.....—
ON BOMBAY.—Bank, 3 days' sight 227½
ON CALCUTTA.—Bank, 3 days' sight 227½
ON SHANGHAI.—
Bank, 3 days' sight.....73½ to 74
Bank, 15 days' sight.....74½
Private, 30 days' sight.....74½

SHARES.

Hongkong Bank Shares, Old—31 to 31½ per cent. premium.
Hongkong Bank Shares, New—23 to 23½ per cent. premium.
Union Insurance Society of Canton, new shares —$1,300 per share premium.
China Traders' Insurance Company's Shares—$2,400 per share premium.
China and Japan Marine Insurance—Tls. 77 per share premium.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company's Shares—$285 per share premium.
China Fire Insurance Company's Shares—$45 to $46 per share premium.
Victoria Fire Insurance Company's Shares—$39 to $40 per share premium.
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company's Shares—32 per cent. discount.
Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co.'s Shares—30 per cent. prem.
Shanghai Steam Navigation Company—Tls. 43 per share premium.
China Sea, Saigon, and Straits Steamship Company—par.
China and Straits Steam Navigation Company—par.
Hongkong Gas Company's Shares—$55 per share.
Hongkong Hotel Company's Shares—80 per cent. discount.
Hongkong Distillery Company—10 per cent. premium, nominal.
Indo-Chinese Sugar Company—1 per cent. premium.

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THE Second Ordinary Annual MEETING of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at the Offices of the Company, No. 39, Queen's Road, on FRIDAY, the 10th March next, at Three o'clock in the afternoon, to receive Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1870, and Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

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Intimations.

RACE HOLIDAYS.

THE undermentioned Banks will CLOSE TO-DAY, (the 3rd of March), at 12 o'clock.

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E. ARTHUR,
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HONGKONG AGENCY,
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